

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 26 Aug 69 26/0415Z	2. LOCATION Skaneateles, New York
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Possible Aircraft
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One (1)	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Approx 25 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observers sighted a light that flashed at irregular intervals. Light traveled easterly and disappeared after approximately 25 minutes.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	COMMENTS: Possible aircraft on night aerial photography mission.
7. COURSE West	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

FORM  
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

22. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THIS OR A SIMILAR PHENOMENON BEFORE?  YES  NO. IF "YES," GIVE DATE AND LOCATION

THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME

23. WAS ANYONE WITH YOU AT THE TIME YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON?  YES  NO. IF "YES," DID THEY SEE IT TOO?

a. LIST THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES

[REDACTED] CAMPUS PARKWAY, UNIV. OF WASH.  
SEATTLE, WASH. 98105

[REDACTED], FAYETTEVILLE, N.Y.  
13066

24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME

ADDRESS (Street, City, State and Zip Code)

TELEPHONE (Area code and number)

[REDACTED] MANHATTAN, N.Y. 10104

AGE

17

MALE

FEMALE

INDICATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING OCCUPATION AND ANY EXPERIENCE WHICH MAY BE PERTINENT.

I'M VERY SORRY THAT THIS FORM WAS SO LATE. I LEFT FOR COLLEGE BEFORE WE RECEIVED THESE FORMS AND I NEEDED SOME INFORMATION FROM HIM BECAUSE I DID NOT KNOW THE AREA (THE ROADS ETC.)

25. WHEN AND TO WHOM DID YOU REPORT THAT YOU HAD SIGHTED THIS PHENOMENON?

NAME US AIR FORCE DAY 27 MONTH AUG. YEAR 1969

26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

DAY 2 MONTH NOV. YEAR 1969

17. DID YOU OBSERVE THE PHENOMENON THROUGH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? INCLUDE INFORMATION ON MODEL, TYPE, FILTER, LENS PRESCRIPTION OR OTHER APPLICABLE DATA.

EYEGLASSES	CAMERA VIEWER
SUNGLASSES	BINOCULARS
X WINDSHIELD	TELESCOPE
SIDE WINDOW OF VEHICLE	THEODOLITE
WINDOWPANE	OTHER

A. DO YOU ORDINARILY WEAR GLASSES?  YES  NO      B. DO YOU USE READING GLASSES?  YES  NO

18. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE SPEED OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF SPEED UNKNOWN

19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE 1 MILE

20. IN ORDER THAT WE MAY OBTAIN AS CLEAR A PICTURE AS POSSIBLE OF WHAT YOU SAW, DESCRIBE IN YOUR OWN WORDS A COMMON OBJECT OR OBJECTS WHICH, WHEN PLACED IN THE SKY, SIMILAR TO WHERE YOU NOTED THE PHENOMENON, WOULD BEAR SOME RESEMBLANCE TO WHAT YOU SAW. DESCRIBE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE COMMON OBJECT AND WHAT YOU SAW.

IF A FULL MOON FLASHED ON IN 1-2 SECOND INTERVALS IT WOULD APPEAR VERY SIMILAR TO WHAT WE SAW. IT WOULD HAVE TO BE TWICE AS LARGE AND A LITTLE BRIGHTER, BUT THE COLOR AND SHAPE IS VERY CLOSE,

21. DID YOU NOTICE ANY ODOR, NOISE, OR HEAT EMANATING FROM THE PHENOMENON OR ANY EFFECT ON YOURSELF, ANIMALS OR MACHINERY IN THE VICINITY?  YES  NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

WHEN WE ARRIVED AT STEVE'S HOUSE WE LOOKED FOR THE OBJECT AGAIN AND THOUGHT WE SAW IT, BUT WERE UNCERTAIN THAT IT WASN'T JUST OUR IMAGINATIONS. WE DID HEAR A LOW RUMBLING NOISE COMING IN SIMILAR INTERVALS AS THE PHENOMENON, AND THAT WAS FOR CERTAIN. BECAUSE IT WAS COMING FROM A DEFINITE DIRECTION WE DISREGARDED IT AS THUNDER.

A. DID THE PHENOMENON DISTURB THE GROUND OR LEAVE ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE.  YES  NO.  
IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

WE DID NOT SEE THE GROUND THAT IT WAS NEAR,

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)  
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



REPLY TO  
ATTN OF TDPT (UFO)

16 SEP 1969

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 26 August 1969

TO:

Fayetteville, New York 13066

Reference your recent unidentified flying object sighting which you reported to the Air Force. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific investigation. Request you complete the attached AF Form 117 and return it in the self-addressed envelope. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

*Hector Quintanilla Jr.*  
HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr., Lt Colonel, USAF  
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office  
Aerospace Technologies Division  
Production Directorate

1 Atch  
AF Form 117 w/envelope

## SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENA QUESTIONNAIRE

BUDGET BUREAU APPROVAL  
NUMBER 21-8283

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE HAS BEEN PREPARED SO THAT YOU CAN GIVE THE U.S. AIR FORCE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING THE UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENON THAT YOU HAVE OBSERVED. PLEASE TRY TO ANSWER ALL OF THE QUESTIONS. THE INFORMATION YOU GIVE WILL BE USED FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES. YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OF YOUR STATEMENTS OR CONCLUSIONS WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION. RETURN TO AIR FORCE BASE INVESTIGATOR FOR FORWARDING TO FTD (TDETR), WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO 45433, IAW AFR 80-17. (IF ADDITIONAL SHEETS ARE NEEDED FOR NARRATIVE OR SKETCHES ATTACH SECURELY TO THIS FORM OR ANNOTATE WITH YOUR NAME FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

1. WHEN DID YOU SEE THE PHENOMENON?

DAY 22 MONTH August YEAR 1966

2. WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

HOUR 12 MINUTES 15 ☑ A.M. ☐ P.M.

3. WHAT TIME DID YOU LAST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

HOUR 12 MINUTES 45 ☑ A.M. ☐ P.M.

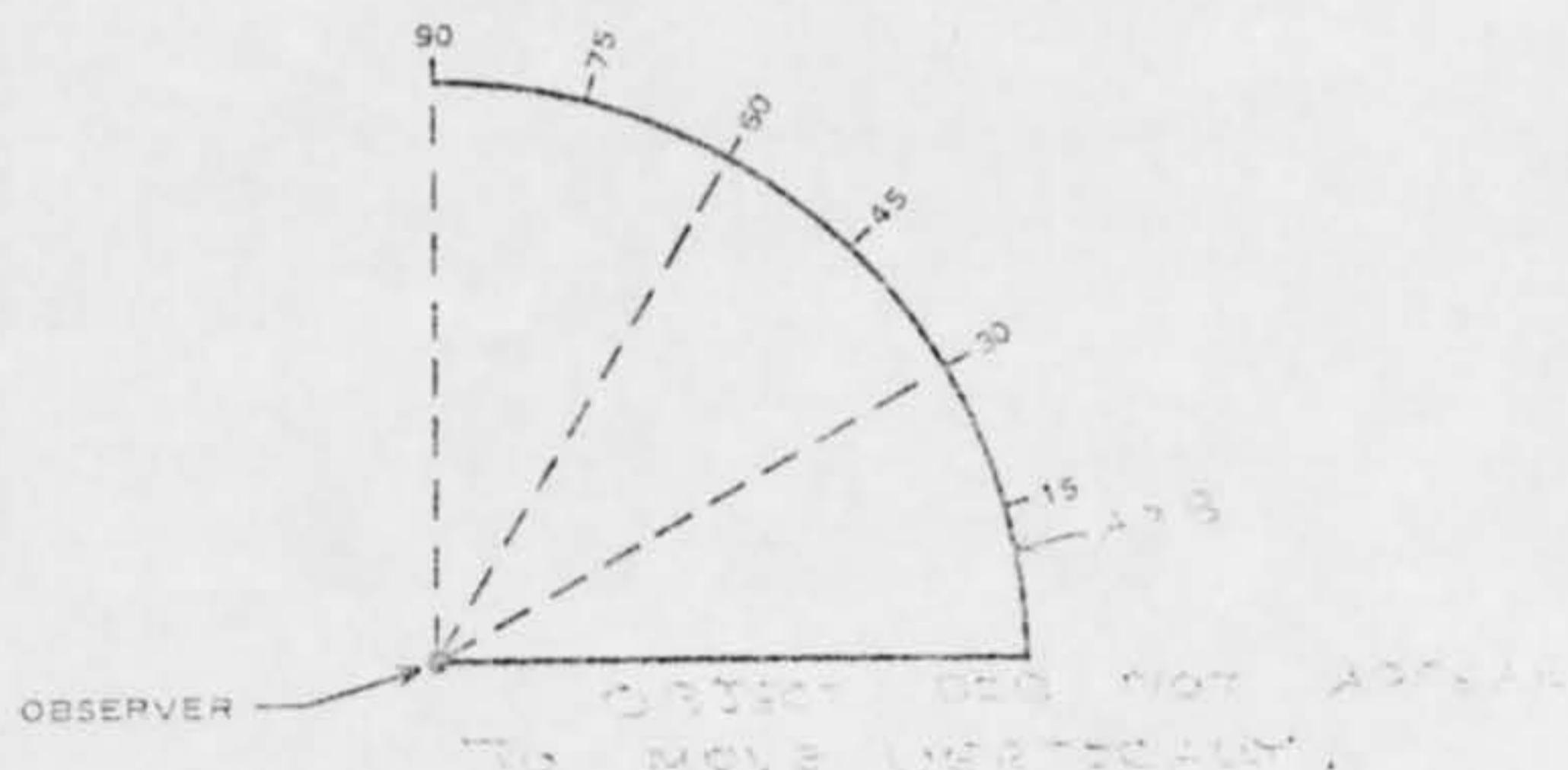
4. TIME ZONE

 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS STANDARD EASTERN CENTRAL MOUNTAIN PACIFIC OTHER

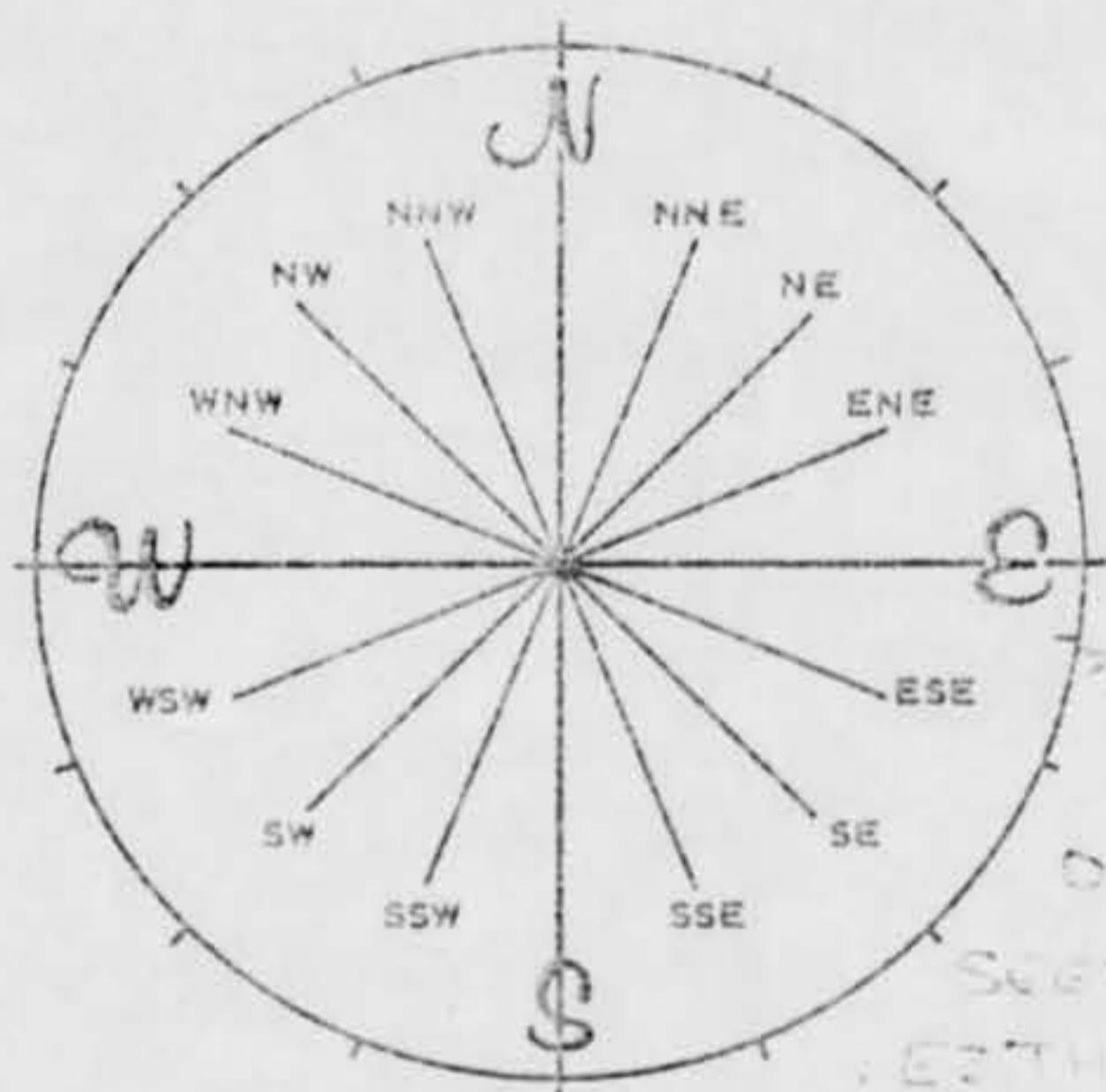
5. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? IF IN CITY, GIVE THE NEAREST STREET ADDRESS AND INDICATE ON A HAND DRAWN MAP WHERE YOU WERE STANDING WITH REFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS. IF IN THE COUNTRY, IDENTIFY THE HIGHWAY YOU WERE ON OR NEAR AND TRY TO FIX A DISTANCE AND DIRECTION FROM SOME RECOGNIZABLE LANDMARK.

We were approaching East Lake Road (N.Y. Rte. 41) on Woodland Road, Woodland Rd. is a private driveway leading from the highway to a group of camps on Scarsdale Lake, it is in the town of Chappaqua, New York. We were about 50 yards down the driveway from a camp site on the lake side road east.

6. IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE POINT SHOWN IN THE SKETCH, PLACE AN "A" ON THE CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH THE PHENOMENON WAS ABOVE THE HORIZON, OR SKYLINE, WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE SAME CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH ABOVE THE HORIZON THE PHENOMENON WAS WHEN LAST SEEN.

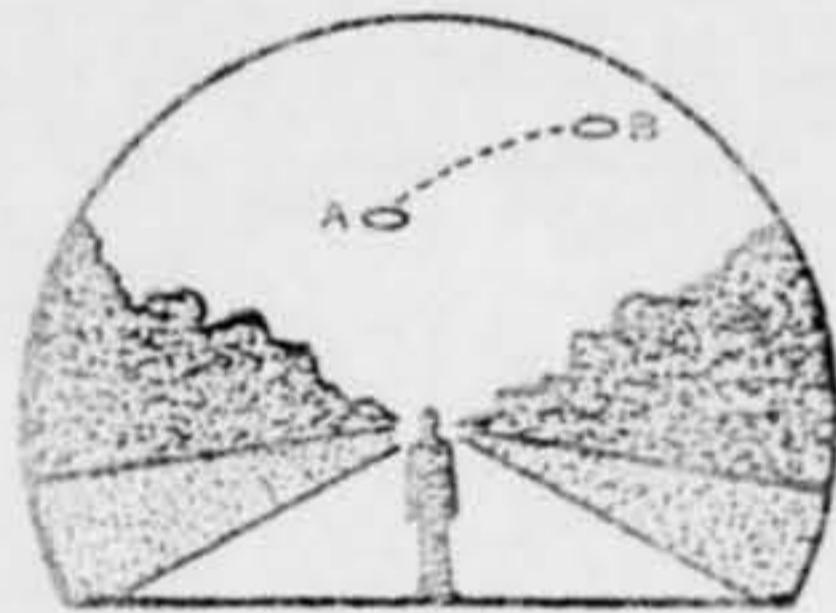
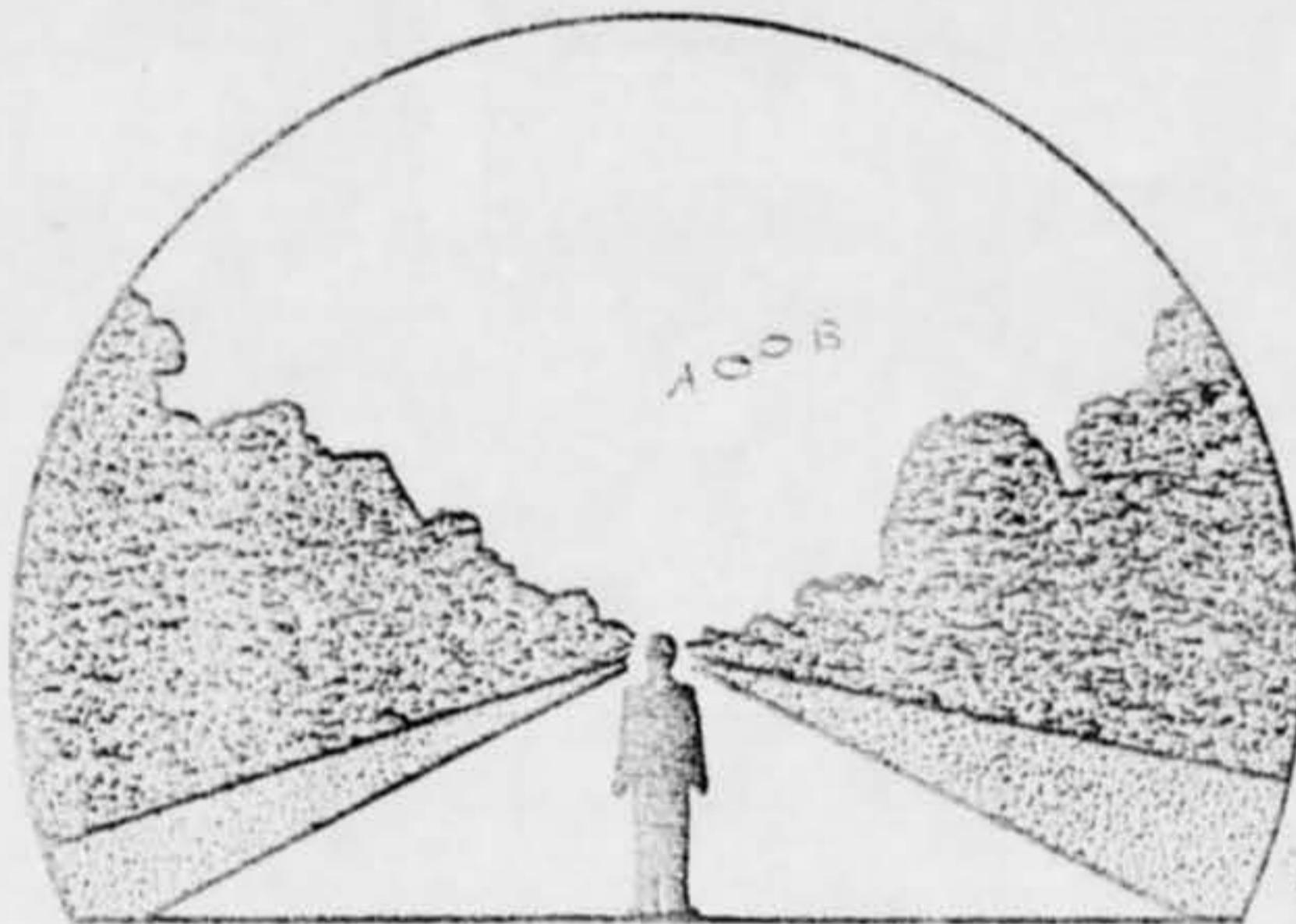


6. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.



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SEEM TO MOVE IN  
EARTH'S DIRECTION  
AND SUBSTANTIAL AMT.

7. IN THE SKETCH BELOW, PLACE AN "A" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN, AND A "B" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN. CONNECT THE "A" AND "B" WITH A LINE TO APPROXIMATE THE MOVEMENT OF THE PHENOMENON BETWEEN "A" AND "B". THAT IS, SCHEMATICALLY SHOW WHETHER THE MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE STRAIGHT, CURVED OR ZIG-ZAG. REFER TO SMALLER SKETCH AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW TO COMPLETE THE LARGER SKETCH.



THE OBJECT RESEMBLED  
MOVING ONLY SLIGHTLY  
FROM LEFT TO RIGHT  
AND SLOWLY UPWARD  
BUT IT DID SEEM TO  
BE MOVING ALMOST  
IN A CIRCULAR PATH

10. IF THERE WERE MORE THAN ONE PHENOMENON, HOW MANY WERE THERE? DRAW A PICTURE TO SHOW HOW THEY WERE ARRANGED. DID THIS ARRANGEMENT CHANGE DURING THE SIGHTING?

11. **CONDITIONS** (Check appropriate blocks.)

A.	SKY	B.	WEATHER
	DAY	CUMULUS CLOUDS (Low fluffy)	FOG OR MIST
	TWILIGHT	CIRRUS CLOUDS (High fleecy or Herringbone)	HEAVY RAIN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NIGHT		LIGHT RAIN OR DRIZZLE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CLEAR	NIMBUS CLOUDS (Rain)	HAIL
	PARTLY CLOUDY	CUMULONIMBUS CLOUDS (Thunderstorms)	SNOW OR SLEET
	COMPLETELY OVERCAST	HAZE OR SMOG	UNKNOWN
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE OF THE ABOVE

C. IF THE SIGHTING WAS AT TWILIGHT OR NIGHT, WHAT DID YOU NOTICE ABOUT THE STARS AND MOON?

(1)	STARS	(2)	MOON
	NONE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BRIGHT MOONLIGHT	NO MOONLIGHT
	A FEW	MOON WITH HALO	UNKNOWN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MANY	MOON HIDDEN BY CLOUDS	
	UNKNOWN	PARTIAL (New or quarter)	

Q. IF SIGHTING WAS IN DAYLIGHT, WAS THE SUN VISIBLE?  YES  NO. IF "YES," WHERE WAS THE SUN AS YOU FACED THE PHENOMENON?

IN FRONT OF YOU	TO YOUR RIGHT	OVERHEAD (Near noon)
IN BACK OF YOU	TO YOUR LEFT	UNKNOWN

E. SPECIFY THE MAJOR SOURCE OF ILLUMINATION PRESENT DURING THE SIGHTING, SUCH AS THE SUN, HEADLIGHTS OR STREET LAMP, ETC. FOR TERRESTRIAL ILLUMINATION, SPECIFY DISTANCE TO LIGHT SOURCE.

8. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? (Check appropriate blocks.)			
OUTDOORS		IN BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY	
IN BUILDING		IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY	
> IN CAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AS DRIVER <input type="checkbox"/> AS PASSENGER		> IN OPEN COUNTRYSIDE	
IN BOAT		NEAR AIRFIELD	
IN AIRPLANE <input type="checkbox"/> AS PILOT <input type="checkbox"/> AS PASSENGER		FLYING OVER CITY	
OTHER		FLYING OVER OPEN COUNTRY	
		OTHER	
A. IF YOU WERE IN A VEHICLE, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:			
WHAT DIRECTION WERE YOU MOVING?		HOW FAST WERE YOU MOVING?	
NORTH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EAST	STOPPED AS SOON AS WE SAW SUBJECT.	
SOUTH	WEST	DID YOU STOP ANYTIME WHILE OBSERVING THE PHENOMENON?	
NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
NORTHWEST	SOUTHWEST		
EXPLAIN WHETHER SUCH MOVEMENT AFFECTS YOUR SKETCHES IN ITEMS 5 AND 6. NO EFFECT. WE STOPPED AS SOON AS WE SAW THE SUBJECT.			
DESCRIBE TYPE OF VEHICLE YOU WERE IN AND TYPE OF ROAD, TERRAIN OR BODY OF WATER YOU TRAVELED DURING THE SIGHTING. STATE WHETHER WINDOWS OR CONVERTIBLE TOP WERE UP OR DOWN. 1969 FORD COUNTRY SEDAN ON A DIRT ROAD. CONVERTIBLE TOP DOWN.			
HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE? NONE			
DID YOU NOTICE ANY AIRPLANES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE WHEN THEY WERE IN SIGHT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF SIGHTING THE PHENOMENON AND WHERE THEY WERE IN THE SKY RELATIVE TO THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON.			
9. HOW LONG WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT?			
LENGTH OF TIME PERIODS OF 1-2 SECONDS AN IRREGULAR INTERVALS.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CERTAIN OF TIME FAIRLY CERTAIN	NOT VERY SURE JUST A GUESS
HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED? THE FLASHES WOULD COME, EACH AT THE SAME TIME, TO SAY HOW LONG THE FLASHES LASTED.			
WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT CONTINUOUSLY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO. IF "NO," INDICATE WHETHER THIS IS DUE TO YOUR MOVEMENT OR THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PHENOMENON, AND DESCRIBE SUCH MOVEMENT OR BEHAVIOR. INDICATE DISAPPEARANCES ON PREVIOUS SKETCHES. HOW DO YOU DETERMINE THE PERIODS OF THE SUBJECT GOING IN AND OUT OF SIGHT? IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE THE PERIODS OF THE SUBJECT GOING IN AND OUT, UNLESS WE RELEGATED IT TO THE POINT THAT IT APPEARED TO MOVE, BUT, UNLESS WE RELEGATED IT TO THE POINT THAT IT APPEARED TO MOVE, IT FLASHED AGAIN ABOUT 15 SECONDS LATER. BOTH TWO OBJECTS APPEARED TO MOVE INVERSELY, GOING FROM IN AND OUT TO A CERTAIN POINT. AFTER THAT, THE PERIODS OF THE SUBJECT GOING IN AND OUT WERE APPROXIMATELY 10-12 SECONDS. THE PERIODS OF THE SUBJECT GOING IN AND OUT WERE APPROXIMATELY 10-12 SECONDS. BUT, THE PERIODS OF THE SUBJECT GOING IN AND OUT WERE APPROXIMATELY 10-12 SECONDS.			

See Questions

13.	DID THE PHENOMENON	YES	NO	UNKNOWN
MOVE IN A STRAIGHT LINE?		X		
STAND STILL AT ANY TIME?			X	
SUDDENLY SPEED UP AND RUN AWAY?		X		
BREAK UP IN PARTS AND EXPLODE?		X		
CHANGE COLOR?			X	
GIVE OFF SMOKE?			X	
CHANGE BRIGHTNESS?			X	
CHANGE SHAPE?			X	
FLASH OR FLICKER?			X	
DISAPPEAR AND REAPPEAR?			X	
SPIN LIKE A TOP?			X	
MAKE A NOISE?			X	
FLUTTER OR WOBBLE?			X	

## 14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

As we were driving at night, Steve Anderson, Jr. saw the bright flash directly in front of the car (in addition to us). It seemed to a stop but did not say anything. About 15 seconds after the first flash, it flashed again. We tried to shut it and immediately mentioned it. Dismissing, we found that only Lee and I had seen the first flash.

## A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

As related in the enclosed paper regarding the circumstances surrounding the sighting, we never actually saw the object disappear. We left the area when Steve asked us to take him home. When Lee and I returned to the area, the object was gone.

B. DID THE PHENOMENON MOVE BEHIND OR IN FRONT OF SOMETHING, LIKE A CLOUD, TREE, OR BUILDING AT ANY TIME?  
 YES  NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

After the first flash the object moved directly away from us into and possibly through a low cloud band. We could no longer see the shape of the object. Only its bright orange color reflecting off a small part of the object.

15. DRAW A PICTURE THAT WILL SHOW THE SHAPE OF THE PHENOMENON. INCLUDE AND LABEL ANY DETAILS THAT MIGHT HAVE APPEARED AS WINGS OR PROTRUSIONS, AND INDICATE EXHAUST OR VAPOR TRAILS. INDICATE BY AN ARROW THE DIRECTION THE PHENOMENON WAS MOVING.

A PICTURE IS NOT NECESSARY. FROM WHICH I  
ONLY KNEW THE SHAPE OF THE OBJECT ONCE, I AM  
POSSIBLE OF THE DESCRIPTION. THE OBJECT APPEARED  
ONLY AS A GROUND, BRIGHT GRANGE FLASH. IT  
HAD NO PROTRUSIONS, ETC. DEPTH PERCEPTION WAS  
IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE OF THE BRIGHNESS OF THE  
OBJECT. IN OTHER WORDS, THE OBJECT APPEARED  
IN ONLY TWO DIMENSIONS.

16. WHAT WAS THE ANGULAR SIZE? HOLD A MATCH AT ARM'S LENGTH IN FRONT OF A KNOWN OBJECT, SUCH AS A STREET LAMP OR THE MOON. NOTE HOW MUCH OF THE OBJECT IS COVERED BY THE HEAD OF THE MATCH. NOW IF YOU HAD BEEN ABLE TO PERFORM THIS EXPERIMENT AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING, ESTIMATE WHAT FRACTION OF THE PHENOMENON WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED BY THE MATCH HEAD.

THE OBJECT WAS ABOUT TWICE THE SIZE OF  
A FULL MOON. A DENIM AT ARM'S LENGTH  
WOULD BE A GOOD ESTIMATE OF ITS ANGULAR  
SIZE.

17. DID YOU OBSERVE THE PHENOMENON THROUGH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? INCLUDE INFORMATION ON MODEL, TYPE, FILTER, LENS PRESCRIPTION OR OTHER APPLICABLE DATA.

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SUNGASSES	BINOCULARS
✓ WINDSHIELD	TELESCOPE
SIDE WINDOW OF VEHICLE	THEODOLITE
WINDOWPANE	OTHER

A. DO YOU ORDINARILY WEAR GLASSES?  YES  NO      B. DO YOU USE READING GLASSES?  YES  NO

18. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE SPEED OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF SPEED.

19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE.

20. IN ORDER THAT WE MAY OBTAIN AS CLEAR A PICTURE AS POSSIBLE OF WHAT YOU SAW, DESCRIBE IN YOUR OWN WORDS A COMMON OBJECT OR OBJECTS WHICH, WHEN PLACED IN THE SKY, SIMILAR TO WHERE YOU NOTED THE PHENOMENON, WOULD BEAR SOME RESEMBLANCE TO WHAT YOU SAW. DESCRIBE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE COMMON OBJECT AND WHAT YOU SAW.

THE SUN IS A GOOD APPROXIMATION. THE OBJECT  
WAS NEARLY BLACK AND MADE ALL THE SKY  
BEHIND IT SEEM DARK. THE COLOR WAS A BRONZE  
COLOR, UNLIKE THE SUN. THE OBJECT DID SEEM  
TO BE VERY CLOSE, A MILE AT THE MOST.

21. DID YOU NOTICE ANY ODOR, NOISE, OR HEAT EMANATING FROM THE PHENOMENON OR ANY EFFECT ON YOURSELF, ANIMALS OR MACHINERY IN THE VICINITY?  YES  NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

FROM [REDACTED] I SAW ONE HEARD A LOUD BOOMING  
NOISE IN SHORT, IRREGULAR INTERVALS COMING FROM  
THE DIRECTION OF THE OBJECT. THE EFFECT ON ME WAS  
NOT ONE OF REAL FEAR. I WAS AFRAID TO DESCRIBE  
IT AS A CORNER.

A. DID THE PHENOMENON DISTURB THE GROUND OR LEAVE ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE.  YES  NO.  
IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

The object did not appear to shake  
the ground or leave any physical evidence such as marks on  
the surface or the destruction of the vegetation.

August 27, 1969

36 Aug 69

U.F.O. Headquarters  
Colorado Springs, Colo.

Dear Sirs,

We are writing this letter to report the sighting of an unidentified flying object near Skaneateles, New York, on Aug. 26 at 12:15 A.M. These are the circumstances surrounding the sighting:

Three of us were approaching East Lake Road on Woodland Road when two of us noticed a bright flash near the horizon. It was a round form; about twice the size of a full moon and bright orange in color. The flash lasted about a second, then faded out. We knew that it was not the moon because the moon was behind us and the object was much brighter. Also, the object was off the ground, about 10 degrees up from the horizon.

About fifteen seconds later we saw a second flash. This time the object appeared to be moving eastward into a low cloud bank. Only a small part of the cloud bank was lit by the flash leading us to believe that it was not lightning. Flashes appeared at irregular intervals as the object seemed to continue moving eastward. It was too bright, in our opinion, to be a beacon or search light.

We took one of our friends home because he requested it. Leaving the car at his house we thought we saw the flash reappear once again, but we are not certain. Our friend noticed a low, rumbling sound at irregular intervals. We discounted the sound as thunder because, unlike thunder, the sound seemed to be coming from a definite direction.

Returning to Woodland Road we, again, looked for the object. We thought we saw a similar light from the same direction coming from below the horizon. We then drove to the top of a hill on Otisco Lake Road, the highest point around, but we saw nothing.

On returning home we recounted our experience to our parents and were advised to write this letter. We checked the local newspaper but, apparently, no one else had noticed it.

If we can be of any other assistance our addresses follow:

1 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
2 [REDACTED] J  
Manlius, N.Y. 13104

Thomas Owens  
[REDACTED]  
Fayetteville, N.Y.  
13066

22. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THIS OR A SIMILAR PHENOMENON BEFORE?  YES  NO. IF "YES," GIVE DATE AND LOCATION.

23. WAS ANYONE WITH YOU AT THE TIME YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON?  YES  NO. IF "YES," DID THEY SEE IT TOO?

## A. LIST THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES

[REDACTED], MANITOU, N.Y.  
 (HE HAS ALSO RECEIVED THIS FORM)  
 [REDACTED] SCHAFFERTSVILLE, N.Y.  
 (HE HAS NOT RECEIVED THIS FORM)

24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME

ADDRESS (Street, City, State and Zip Code)

TELEPHONE (Area code and number)

CAMPUS Picnic, SEATTLE, WASH. 98105

AGE

18

X

MALE

FEMALE

INDICATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING OCCUPATION AND ANY EXPERIENCE WHICH MAY BE PERTINENT.

I AM SORRY THAT IT TOOK SO LONG TO  
 RETURNED. IT WAS SENT TO MY HOME (SCHAFFERTSVILLE  
 New York) AFTER I HAD LEFT FOR COLLEGE. My  
 PRESENT ADDRESS IS LISTED ABOVE.

25. WHEN AND TO WHOM DID YOU REPORT THAT YOU HAD SIGHTED THIS PHENOMENON?

NAME [REDACTED] DAY 27 MONTH AUG YEAR 1969

26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

DAY 27 MONTH OCT YEAR 1969

27. INFORMATION WHICH YOU FEEL IS PERTINENT BUT WHICH IS NOT ADEQUATELY COVERED IN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE,  
ALTERNATIVELY PROVIDE A NARRATIVE EXPLANATION OF THE SIGHTING.

SEE ACCOMPANYING PAGES

CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE SIGHTING.

Two of my Friends had been at my summer camp that night and about midnight one friend, [REDACTED], requested to be taken home. My other friend, [REDACTED] was staying at my camp that night as a guest of my family. As we drove up our driveway we spotted the UFO. After observing the object for about 15 minutes, [REDACTED] who was quite shaken up by the incident, wanted to be taken home. I did not want to drive, but [REDACTED] was very upset, so I drove him to his camp. He has a summer camp about four miles up the lake from my camp (about two and a half miles out of the village of Skaneateles). By the time we reached [REDACTED]'s camp, we had all settled down enough that we got out of the car to see if we could still see the object. We thought that we saw the object flash from behind the clouds through a tree, but we cannot be certain. But we did definitely hear the sound coming from the direction of the object.

[REDACTED] and I returned to the same spot on my driveway but were unable to see or hear anything. We then drove to the top of the hill over which we had first sighted the object. This was on Otisco Lake Road or otherwise known as Ferret Hill Road. There we also saw and heard nothing. Returning home, we recounted our experience to my mother.

The following day I looked in the local newspapers and listened to the news but we heard nothing of anyone else spotting the object.

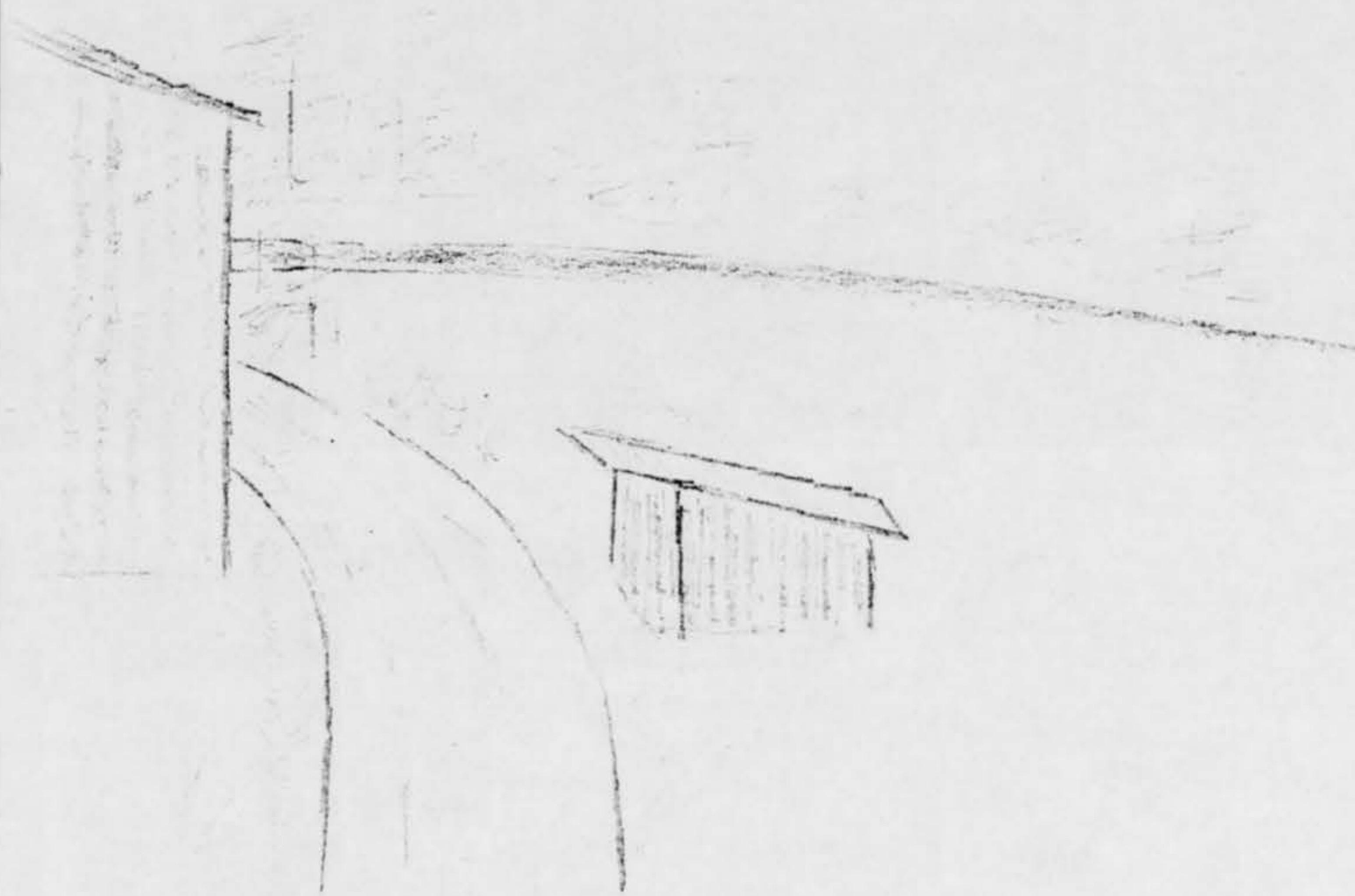
Within the next few days [REDACTED] and I wrote our letter to the Air Force reporting the sighting.

Details to the sighting follow in the questionnaire.

Thank you for your interest.  
[REDACTED]

QUESTION 9

1-3257  
FLASH



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)  
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



REPLY TO  
ATTN OF:

TDPT (UFO)

16 SEP 1969

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 26 August 1969

TO:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Manlius, New York 13104

Reference your recent unidentified flying object sighting which you reported to the Air Force. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific investigation. Request you complete the attached AF Form 117 and return it in the self-addressed envelope. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

*Hector Quintanilla Jr.*  
HECTOR QUINTANILLA, JR., Lt Colonel, USAF  
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office  
Aerospace Technologies Division  
Production Directorate

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AF Form 117 w/envelope

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NUMBER 21-2237

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DAY 26 MONTH AVG YEAR 1969

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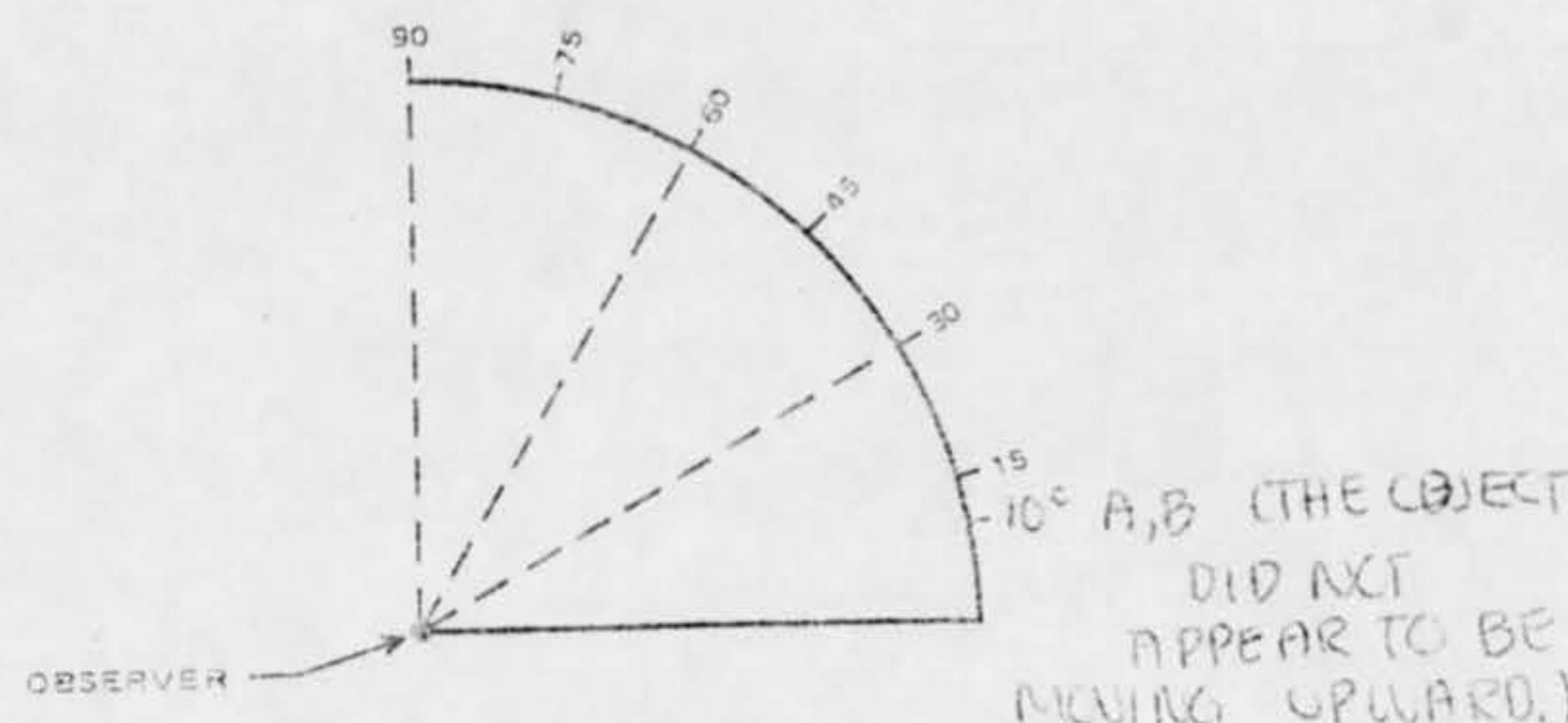
4. TIME ZONE

 EASTERN DAYLIGHT SAVINGS STANDARD CENTRAL MOUNTAIN PACIFIC OTHER

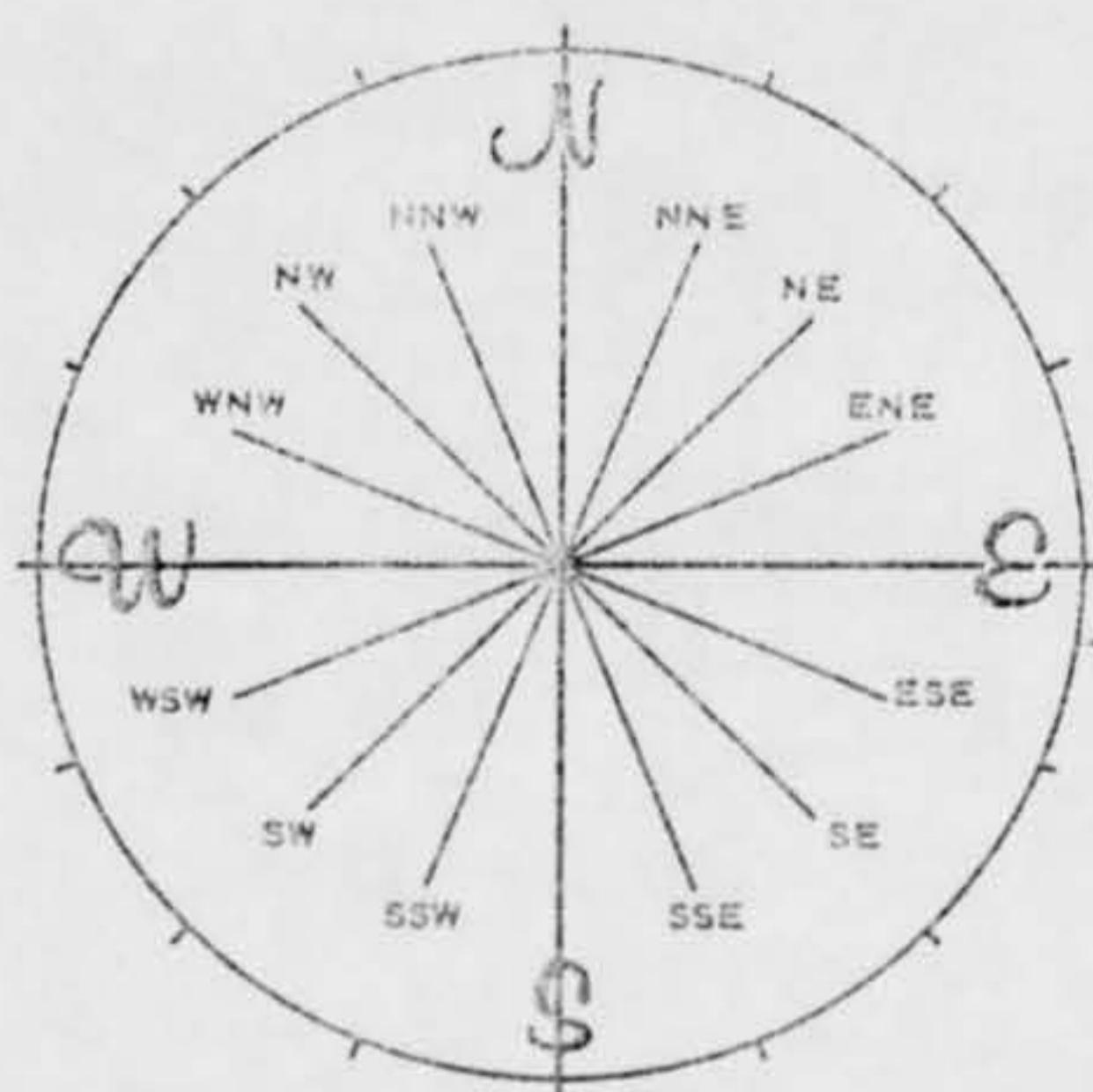
5. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? IF IN CITY, GIVE THE NEAREST STREET ADDRESS AND INDICATE ON A HAND DRAWN MAP WHERE YOU WERE STANDING WITH REFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS. IF IN THE COUNTRY, IDENTIFY THE HIGHWAY YOU WERE ON OR NEAR AND TRY TO FIX A DISTANCE AND DIRECTION FROM SOME RECOGNIZABLE LANDMARK.

WE WERE ON WOODLAND ROAD, WHICH IS A DRIVEWAY LEADING TO SOME CAMPS ON SHANEATELES LAKE AND WE WERE APPROACHING EAST LAKE ROAD (N.Y. RT. 41) WE WERE APPROXIMATELY 50 YARDS FROM THE MAIN HIGHWAY.

6. IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE POINT SHOWN IN THE SKETCH. PLACE AN "A" ON THE CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH THE PHENOMENON WAS ABOVE THE HORIZON, OR SKYLINE, WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE SAME CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH ABOVE THE HORIZON THE PHENOMENON WAS WHEN LAST SEEN.

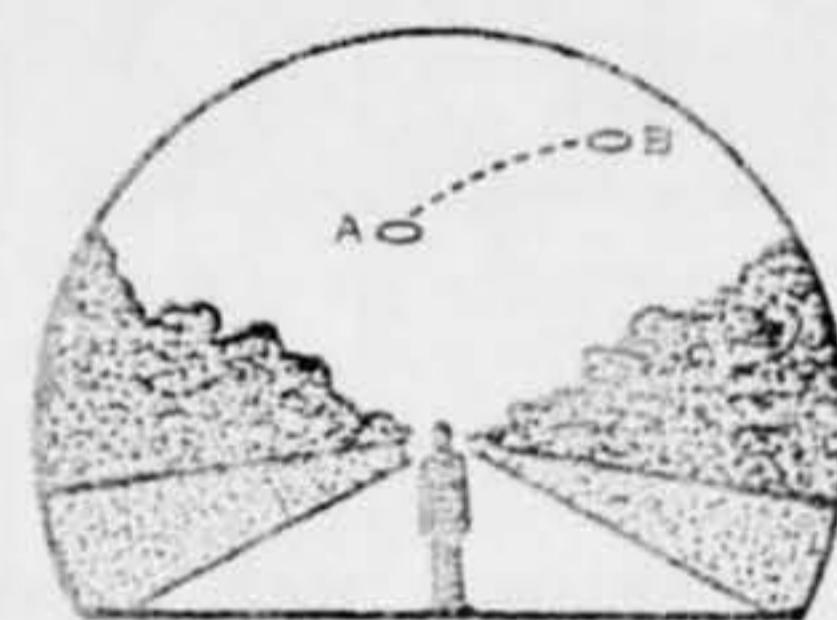
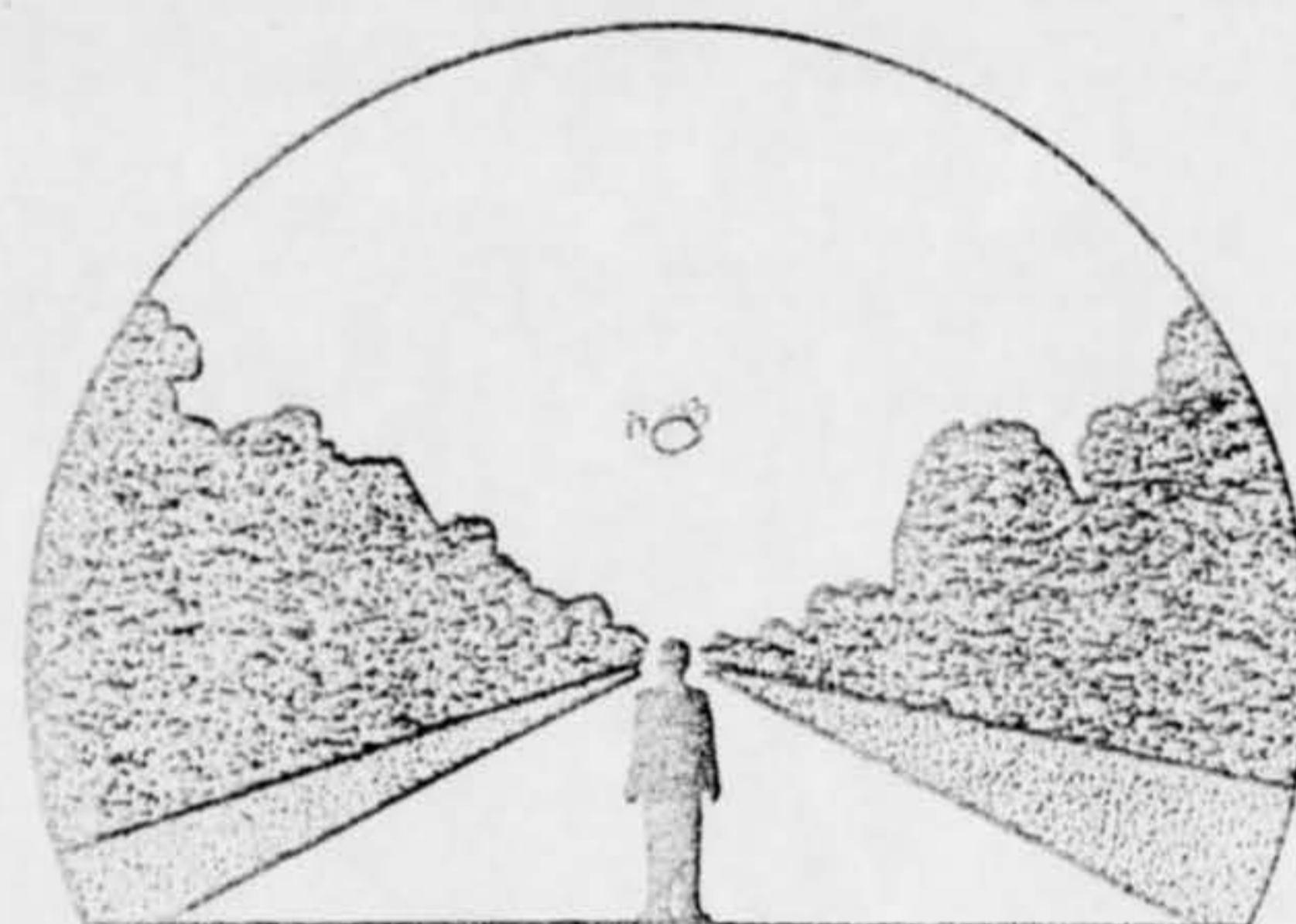


3A. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.



(A,B (ENCE POSITION,  
THE OBJECT  
DID NOT APPEAR  
TO BE MOVING  
EITHER  
DIRECTION.)

7. IN THE SKETCH BELOW, PLACE AN "A" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN, AND A "B" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN. CONNECT THE "A" AND "B" WITH A LINE TO APPROXIMATE THE MOVEMENT OF THE PHENOMENON BETWEEN "A" AND "B". THAT IS, SCHEMATICALLY SHOW WHETHER THE MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE STRAIGHT, CURVED OR ZIG-ZAG. REFER TO SMALLER SKETCH AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW TO COMPLETE THE LARGER SKETCH.



THE ONLY MOVEMENT I WAS  
ABLE TO DETECT, WAS  
THAT <sup>Movement</sup> "B" DIRECTLY AWAY  
FROM US, WHICH, BECAUSE  
I NOTED NO OTHER SHIFTS,  
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN  
STeady.

B. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? (Check appropriate blocks.)	
OUTDOORS	IN BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY
IN BUILDING	IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY
IN CAR <input type="checkbox"/> AS DRIVER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AS PASSENGER	X IN OPEN COUNTRYSIDE
IN BOAT	NEAR AIRFIELD
IN AIRPLANE <input type="checkbox"/> AS PILOT <input type="checkbox"/> AS PASSENGER	FLYING OVER CITY
OTHER	FLYING OVER OPEN COUNTRY
	OTHER

A. IF YOU WERE IN A VEHICLE, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:	
WHAT DIRECTION WERE YOU MOVING?	HOW FAST WERE YOU MOVING? WE HAD BEEN MOVING APPROX. 20 MPH, BUT STOPPED AFTER WE SAW IT THE FIRST TIME.
NORTH	EAST <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SOUTH	WEST
NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST
NORTHWEST	SOUTHWEST
DID YOU STOP ANYTIME WHILE OBSERVING THE PHENOMENON?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

EXPLAIN WHETHER SUCH MOVEMENT AFFECTS YOUR SKETCHES IN ITEMS 5 AND 6.  
 NO, IT DOESN'T. AS I SAID ABOVE, WE STOPPED IMMEDIATELY AFTER WE SAW IT THE FIRST TIME.

DESCRIBE TYPE OF VEHICLE YOU WERE IN AND TYPE OF ROAD, TERRAIN OR BODY OF WATER YOU TRAVELED DURING THE SIGHTING. STATE WHETHER WINDOWS OR CONVERTIBLE TOP WERE UP OR DOWN.  
 1969 FORD SEDAN, ON A DIRT ROAD, WE SAW THE OBJECT THROUGH WINDSHIELD (OTHER WINDOWS WERE UP)

HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE?  
 NONE

DID YOU NOTICE ANY AIRPLANES?  YES  NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE WHEN THEY WERE IN SIGHT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF SIGHTING THE PHENOMENON AND WHERE THEY WERE IN THE SKY RELATIVE TO THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON.

9. HOW LONG WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT?	
LENGTH OF TIME IT LASTED FOR 1-2 SECND INTERVALS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CERTAIN OF TIME FAIRLY CERTAIN
NOT VERY SURE JUST A GUESS	

HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED? THE FLASHES WERE VERY SHORT SO WE DETERMINED THE TIME ON THAT BASIS.

WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT CONTINUOUSLY?  YES  NO. IF "NO," INDICATE WHETHER THIS IS DUE TO YOUR MOVEMENT OR THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PHENOMENON, AND DESCRIBE SUCH MOVEMENT OR BEHAVIOR. INDICATE DISAPPEARANCES ON PREVIOUS SKETCHES.

THIS WAS NOT DUE TO OUR MOVEMENT BECAUSE WE HAD STOPPED. THE FIRST TIME WE SAW THE OBJECT IT HAD A DEFINITE CIRCULAR SHAPE BUT QUICKLY FADED OUT. AROUND 15 SECONDS LATER WE NOTED THE FLASH AGAIN BUT THIS TIME IT HAD NO DEFINITE SHAPE BUT WAS STILL AS BRIGHT. IT APPEARED BEHIND A CLOUD BANK THAT TIME SO WE ASSUMED THAT IT MAY BE RICING AWAY FROM US. WE SAW THIS SAME FLASH AT LEAST FIVE TIMES BEHAVING IN THE SAME MANNER EACH TIME, LASTING ONLY 1 OR 2 SECONDS.

D. IF THERE WERE MORE THAN ONE PHENOMENA, HOW MANY WERE THERE? DRAW A PICTURE TO SHOW HOW THEY WERE ARRANGED. DID THIS ARRANGEMENT CHANGE DURING THE SIGHTING?

WE ONLY SAW ONE FLASH AT A TIME  
SO WE ASSUMED THAT IT WAS ONLY ONE  
PHENOMENON.

11. CONDITIONS (Check appropriate blocks.)		
A. SKY	B.	WEATHER
DAY	CUMULUS CLOUDS (Low fluffy)	FOG OR MIST
TWILIGHT	CIRRUS CLOUDS (High fleecy or Herringbone)	HEAVY RAIN
X NIGHT		LIGHT RAIN OR DRIZZLE
X CLEAR	HIMBOS CLOUDS (Rain)	HAIL
PARTLY CLOUDY	CUMULONIMBUS CLOUDS (Thunderstorms)	SNOW OR SLEET
COMPLETELY OVERCAST		UNKNOWN
	HAZE OR SMOG	X NONE OF THE ABOVE

C. IF THE SIGHTING WAS AT TWILIGHT OR NIGHT, WHAT DID YOU NOTICE ABOUT THE STARS AND MOON?

(1) STARS	(2)	MOON
NONE	X BRIGHT MOONLIGHT	NO MOONLIGHT
A FEW	MOON WITH HALO	UNKNOWN
X MANY	MOON HIDDEN BY CLOUDS	
UNKNOWN	PARTIAL (New or quarter)	

D. IF SIGHTING WAS IN DAYLIGHT, WAS THE SUN VISIBLE?  YES  NO. IF "YES," WHERE WAS THE SUN AS YOU FACED THE PHENOMENON?  
*(NOT IN DAYLIGHT)*

IN FRONT OF YOU	TO YOUR RIGHT	OVERHEAD (Near noon)
IN BACK OF YOU	TO YOUR LEFT	UNKNOWN

E. SPECIFY THE MAJOR SOURCE OF ILLUMINATION PRESENT DURING THE SIGHTING, SUCH AS THE SUN, HEADLIGHTS OR STREET LAMP, ETC. FOR TERRESTRIAL ILLUMINATION, SPECIFY DISTANCE TO LIGHT SOURCE.  
*THE MOON WAS FULL AND VERY BRIGHT. IT WAS TO THE RIGHT, ABOVE, AND A LITTLE BEHIND THE CAR.*

F. GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHENOMENON, INDICATING WHETHER IT APPEARED DARK OR LIGHT, WHETHER IT REFLECTED LIGHT OR WAS SELF-LUMINOUS AND WHAT COLORS YOU NOTICED. DESCRIBE YOUR IMPRESSION OF WHETHER IT WAS SOLID OR TRANSPARENT, WHETHER EDGES WERE SHARP OR FUZZY. DESCRIBE THE SHAPE OR INDICATE IF IT APPEARED AS A POINT OF LIGHT. INDICATE COMPARISONS WITH OTHER OBSERVED OBJECTS, LIKE STARS, A LIGHT OR OTHER OBJECT IN YOUR FIELD OF VIEW. WE ONLY SAW THE SHAPE OF THE PHENOMENON THE FIRST TIME. IT WAS ROUND WITH SHARP EDGES, VERY BRIGHT AND CRANIE-YELLOW IN COLOR. IT LOOKED VERY MUCH LIKE THE <sup>FULL</sup> MOON THAT NIGHT YET IT WAS TWICE THE SIZE OF IT AND MUCH MORE POWERFUL, IN OTHER WORDS IT LIT THE SKY MORE, WHERE THE FLASH WAS SO BRIEF IT WOULD BE HARD TO TELL WHETHER OR NOT IT WAS TRANSPARENT OR NOT, YET THE <sup>FIRST</sup> FLASH, WHERE IT HAD DEFINITE SHAPE, APPEARED TO BE SOLID. IT Merged INTO A CLOUD-BANK (THE ONLY ONE IN THE SKY) AND THIS HAD NO DEFINITE SHAPE FOR THE REST (IF THE FLASHES

13	DID THE PHENOMENON	YES	NO	UNKNOWN
MOVE IN A STRAIGHT LINE?		X		
STAND STILL AT ANYTIME?			X	
SUDDENLY SPEED UP AND RUN AWAY?		X		
BREAK UP IN PARTS AND EXPLODE?		X	X	
CHANGE COLOR?		X	X	
GIVE OFF SMOKE?		X	X	
CHANGE BRIGHTNESS?			X	
CHANGE SHAPE?			X	
FLASH OR FLICKER?		X		
DISAPPEAR AND REAPPEAR?		X		
SPIN LIKE A TOP?			X	
MAKE A NOISE?		X		
FLUTTER OR WOBBLE?			X	

## 14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

I NOTICED THE ROUND SHAPE AS WE WERE DRIVING UP WOODLAND BUT DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING TO THE OTHERS BECAUSE I THOUGHT I WAS SEEING THINGS. WHEN THE SECOND FLASH APPEARED WE ALL NOTICED IT AND OF COURSE WERE ALARMED. AS WE BEGAN TO DISCUSS IT I FOUND OUT THAT [REDACTED] HAD NOTICED THE FIRST FLASH TOO. IT WAS DIRECTLY OUT OF OUR WINDSHIELD SO WE DEFINITELY HAD TO NOTICE IT.

## A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

WE DON'T KNOW. [REDACTED] (THE 3RD PASSENGER IN THE CAR) REQUESTED THAT WE TAKE HIM HOME. HE WAS RATHER SHOCKED BY IT. WHEN WE GOT TO HIS HOUSE (ABOUT 4 MILES DOWN THE ROAD) WE LOOKED FOR IT AGAIN BUT COULD NOT SEE IT. WE HAD LOST OUR PERSPECTIVE AND IT WAS HARD TO GET THE DIRECTION OF IT AGAIN BECAUSE IT WAS SO CLOSE TO THE GROUND. WE RETURNED TO WOODLAND AGAIN BUT SAW NOTHING.

## B. DID THE PHENOMENON MOVE BEHIND OR IN FRONT OF SOMETHING, LIKE A CLOUD, TREE, OR BUILDING AT ANY TIME?

YES  NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

IT APPEARED TO BE MOVING AWAY FROM US INTO A LOW CLOUD BANK, THE ONLY CLOUDS IN THE SKY. THIS IS WHY IT ONLY HAD A DEFINITE SHAPE ONCE, THE LIGHT HIT THE [REDACTED] END OF THE CLOUD BANK, NOT THE WHOLE THING. THAT IS WHY WE DISREGARD IT AS LIGHTNING (AS WELL IS FOR OTHER REASONS)

15. DRAW A PICTURE THAT WILL SHOW THE SHAPE OF THE PHENOMENON. INCLUDE AND LABEL ANY DETAILS THAT MIGHT HAVE APPEARED AS WINGS OR PROTRUSIONS, AND INDICATE EXHAUST OR VAPOR TRAILS. INDICATE BY AN ARROW THE DIRECTION THE PHENOMENON WAS MOVING.

A PICTURE IS NOT NECESSARY BECAUSE IT HAD A DEFINITE SHAPE ONLY ONE AND WE ARE POSITIVE OF THAT DESCRIPTION — A ~~ROUND~~<sup>BRIGHT</sup> CIRCULAR FORM, ORANGE IN COLOR. IT HAD NO WINGS OR PROTRUSIONS. IT WAS SO BRIGHT THAT ANY SMALL DETAILS COULD NOT BE DETECTED.

16. WHAT WAS THE ANGULAR SIZE? HOLD A MATCH AT ARM'S LENGTH IN FRONT OF A KNOWN OBJECT, SUCH AS A STREET LAMP OR THE MOON. NOTE HOW MUCH OF THE OBJECT IS COVERED BY THE HEAD OF THE MATCH. NOW IF YOU HAD BEEN ABLE TO PERFORM THIS EXPERIMENT AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING, ESTIMATE WHAT FRACTION OF THE PHENOMENON WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED BY THE MATCH HEAD.

IT WAS APPROXIMATELY TWICE THE SIZE OF A FULL MOON.

IT WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY ~~THIS SIZE~~ THE SIZE OF A PENNY AT ARMS LENGTH.